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For : INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, INFORMATION RECORDING
MEDIUM ACCESSING APPARATUS AND ACCESSING METHOD**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir :

This Amendment is in response to the Official Action dated September 9, 2011, setting a three month period for response extending until December 9, 2011. This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Extension of Time, extending the period for response by one month, from December 9, 2011 to January 9, 2012. If any additional extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary additional extension of time and authorization to charge any additional extension of time fee, or any other fee that may be required to preserve the pendency of the present patent application, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection, in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks, as well as an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present patent application.

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